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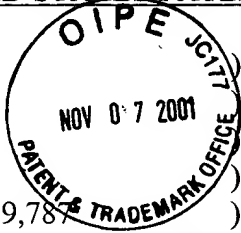
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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, and in compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, applicants are submitting herewith copies of the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 (modified) for consideration and to be made of record herein by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-captioned application.

The attached documents were cited by the European Patent Office in the International Search Report dated May 9, 2000 of the corresponding application and relevance is indicated on the enclosed copy of the Search Report.

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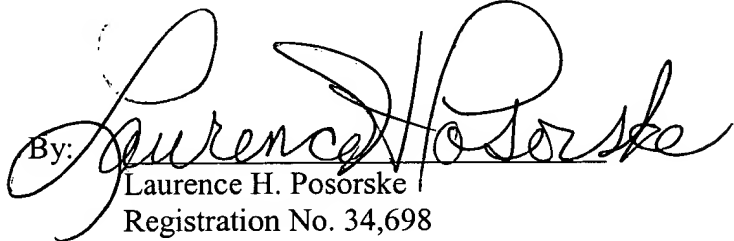
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